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# WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Siegenthaler, Peter **Report No:** WIR-021818 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 16-Mar-2011

City: Oakland, CA 94607

**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Arrival Time:** 630 **OSM Departure Time:** 1500 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV Contractor: American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV **Location:** Job Site

**CWI Name:** See below **CWI Present:** Yes No **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A **Electrode to specification:** Yes No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS:** Yes No N/A **Delayed / Cancelled:** 

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component: SAS OBG** 

# **Summary of Items Observed:**

The Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector, Rick Bettencourt was on site at the job site between the times noted above. The QA Inspector was on site to randomly observe the in process welding and inspection of the weld joints identified as 7W-pp55-W4-2&4, 10W/11W-C,110E/11E-C and the following observations were made:

## 7W-pp55-W4-2&4

The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder Darcel Jackson performing carbon arc gouging and back grinding of the above identified weld joints. The QA inspector randomly observed the ABF welder grind the back gouged weld joints to bright metal. The QA Inspector randomly observed the back gouged weld joints and noted they appeared to be in general compliance with the contract requirements. The QA Inspector randomly observed the SE QC Inspector Gary Ersham perform magnetic particle testing of the back gouged weld joint and noted no relevant indications were present at the time of the testing. The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder continue welding the in process lift lug hole restoration of the lifting lug hole identified as #2. The QA Inspector noted the weld joint was approximately 50% complete at the time of the SMAW 4G back weld. The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder continue the SMAW cover pass. The QA Inspector noted the ABF welder completed #2 and moved over to #4. The QA Inspector randomly observed the SMAW parameters were 1/8" E7018 low hydrogen electrodes with 125 Amps. The QA Inspector noted the parameters appeared to be in general compliance with ABF-WPS-1070A R1. The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder did complete the above identified lifting lug hole on this date. The QA Inspector noted the weld reinforcement was ground flush on the QA Inspectors shift. The QA Inspector observed the grinding did appear to comply with the contract requirements for the lifting lug hole identified as #2 & #4.

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### 10W/11W-C1

The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder Song Tao Hunag had previously started the induction heating blankets on the inside of OBG to ensure the minimum required preheat of 150°F was achieved prior to welding. The QA Inspector randomly verified utilizing a 150°F temperature indicating marker and noted the minimum required preheat had been achieved. The QA Inspector observed the ABF welder to be utilizing the semi automated flux cored arc welding (FCAW) for the above identified weld joint. The QA Inspector randomly observed the Smith Emery (SE) QC Inspector identified as John Pagliero set the FCAW machine to the parameters of the approved WPS identified as ABF-WPS-D1.5-3042-B-1 The QA Inspector randomly observed the FCAW parameters were 265 Amps, 22.7 Volts and a travel speed of 280mm/min. The QA Inspector noted the ABF welder continued welding the FCAW fill passes for the remainder of the shift. The QA Inspector noted the fit up in the areas being welded were in compliance with the contract requirements

## 10E/11E-C

The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder identified as Eric Sparks fitting up the above identified weld joint. The QA Inspector randomly observed the ABF welder installing the square nut associated with the fit up gear. The QA Inspector noted the welder was utilizing shielded metal arc welding with 1/8" E7018 low hydrogen electrodes. After all the necessary square nuts were installed the welder and ABF helper Ian Murphy began installing the key plates and steel backing to the back side of the weld joint. The QA Inspector noted the fit up of the weld joint was completed on the QA Inspectors shift. The QA Inspector performed a cursory inspection at random and noted the fit up of the weld joint appeared to be in general compliance with the contract requirements. The QA Inspector noted no official inspection of the weld joint was performed by Smith Emery QC or Caltrans QA on this date.

### **Summary of Conversations:**

No pertinent conversation was noted on this date.

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Nina Choy 510-385-5910, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

<b>Inspected By:</b>	Bettencourt,Rick	Quality Assurance Inspector
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